CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

73-720 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 100 Public Notice No. 07-08-19

Palm Desert, CA 92260 April 17, 2008

Phone: (760) 346-7491 Board Order No. R7-2008-0800

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR DISCHARGE PERMIT

The Regional Water Quality Control Board has drafted Waste Discharge Requirements (Proposed General Board Order No. R7-2008-0800 (CAG017001) for the regulation of:

CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS (CAFO) IN THE COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION.

The staff of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Regional Water Board) has prepared a Tentative General Board Order for the above discharger containing effluent and receiving water limitations and special provisions, in accordance with the Federal Clean Water Act and the California Water Code. The Regional Water Board will hold a public hearing on the Tentative General Board Order during its regular meeting, which is scheduled as follows:

Date: June 25, 2008 Time: 10:00 a.m. Location: City of Indio

> City Council Chambers 150 Civic Center Mall Indio, CA 92201

The Regional Water Board will accept comments during a thirty (30) day public comment period, which begins April 23, 2008, and ends May 23, 2008. Persons wishing to submit comments on the Tentative General Board Order are requested to do so as soon as possible, but no later than May 23, 2008, so that they may be given sufficient consideration. Comments should be mailed to the attention of Jose Figueroa-Acevedo at the address shown below or faxed to the office at (760) 341-6820.

California Regional Water Quality Control Board Colorado River Basin Region 73-720 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 100 Palm Desert, CA 92260 Affected stakeholders and other interested persons are invited to attend and express their views on this matter at the Public Hearing. Those who wish to speak at the hearing will be asked to fill out a speaker request card and provide it to Regional Water Board staff. In order to have adequate time for the presentations by Regional Water Board staff, however, comments from the public will be limited to five (5) minutes per person. If the presentation may take longer, please let Regional Water Board staff know before speaking so that the presentation can be appropriately scheduled at the hearing. Where speakers can be grouped by affiliation or interest, such groups will be expected to select a spokesperson and not be repetitive. To ensure accuracy of the record, the Regional Water Board requests that any speakers who have prepared written statements for oral presentation at the hearing submit those statements to Regional Water Board staff before or during the hearing.

The application for Permit, the Tentative General Board Order, written comments received, and related documents may be inspected and copied at the Regional Water Board office. Contact Jose Figueroa-Acevedo, Water Resources Control Engineer, at (760) 776-8967 for any questions regarding this matter.

Interested parties are advised that the full text of the NPDES permit is available on the Regional Water Board's web site at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver. Under the heading of "Board Orders", select "Year 2008" then General Board Order R7-2008-0800. If you need a hard copy of this order mailed to you, please contact Hilda Vasquez by phone at (760) 346-7491 or via e-mail at hvtsquez@waterboards.ca.gov.

Any person who is disabled and requires special accommodations to participate in this Public Hearing, please contact Hilda Vasquez at (760) 776-8950 no later than ten (10) days before the scheduled Public Hearing.

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of anyone you believe may be interested in this matter.

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